

CALM PREVAILS AT TULE LAKE; SITUATION TERMED TENSE

Best To Make Official Report

Although the situation is apparently tense, calm prevailed in Tulelake, according to an official teletype message from Ray R. Best, Tulelake project director, to Project Director Ralph P. Merritt. The message stated that a carefully documented statement on what happened will be released soon. At the present time information is fragmentary but certain facts have been established.

On Monday of last week, while National Director Dillon S. Myer was meeting with an evacuee committee a crowd formed outside the administration building on the understanding that Mr. Myer would make a speech. Mr. Myer then agreed to meet a grievance committee from the crowd with which he discussed proposals for two and one-half hours.

MYER SPEAKS

Then speaking to the crowd, the national director emphasized that requests would be given every consideration but that the WRA would not listen to demands. At the conclusion of the address the crowd dispersed quietly and returned to quarters.

Meanwhile 15 evacuees had gone to the center hospital and had engaged in altercation with the Project Medical Officer Reese M. Pedicord. Dr. Pedicord struck one evacuee and was beaten but not severely.

Thursday night a group of about 400 evacuees moved into the warehouse area and surrounded the home of Project Director Best. En route, certain members of this crowd beat Edward H. Brobeck, one of the Caucasian Internal Security officers.

At 9:45 p.m. Mr. Best called Col. Verne Austin and asked the Army to take over the center. The Army has been in full control ever since and according to Robert B. Cozzens, regional director, no tear gas has been used at any time. It is not certain that any evacuee was injured.

—NOTICE—

Reverend Sogabe in Poston asks that all residents who have their belongings stored in the Daishi Mission, Koyasan Temple, to file Forms 155 and 156 immediately so that the properties may be safely deposited in the Government warehouse. All forms should be executed and filed at Warehouse 23.

FAIR EMPLOYMENT PRACTICE GROUP BANS RACE DISCRIMINATION IN WORK

According to a release from the Japanese American Committee for Democracy, Will Maslow, Director of Field Operations of the President's Committee on Fair Employment Practice of Washington, D.C., issued on Oct. 8 a directive to all FEPC Regional Directors. The directive instructed them to give American citizens of Japanese ancestry full protection of the Executive Order of the President which forbids discrimination against workers because of race or color.

It states "the committee takes the position that it cannot modify the Executive Order nor place one category of American citizens in a situation less favorable than citizens of other ancestry. President Roosevelt in a message to the United States Senate on September 14, emphasized this position when he stated: 'Americans of Japanese ancestry, like those of many other ancestries, have shown they can, and want to, accept our institutions and work loyally with the rest of us, making their own valuable contribution to the national wealth

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Relocation Grant Rule Liberalization To Aid Future Large Family Resettlement

Liberalization of relocation grants was hailed this week as a boon to resettlement that will make it possible for many additional families to leave the confines of the barbed wire. Although the amounts of grants will not be increased except for larger families, eligibility requirements have been arranged in a way as to make them available to additional families and actually to increase the amounts given, the Relocation Office revealed.

MOVIES ON CITIES WILL BE SHOWN

A panel discussion on "Mid-western and Eastern Cities" with movies on Minnesota and cities in the East to be shown by Aksel Nielsen, chairman, will be held Wednesday evening, from 7 to 8:30 p.m., at 7-10-4. Other members of the panel which is the eighth in the series being sponsored by Adult Education are Harriette Pusey, guidance counselor; Leland Abel, science teacher; Walter Heath, leave officer.

Any resident interested is invited to attend, stated Dr. Melvin Strong, director of Adult Education.

To Talk On Guayule

Monday evening, from 7:30 p.m., the Manzanar Y's Men's club will hold a bi-monthly meeting at 19-15. Slated for the program is a talk on "Guayule Today and Tomorrow" by Masuo Kodani and Frank Hirokawa.

Refreshments will be served later, announced the Y club. Chairman for the meeting is Tadashi Kishi, and members of the committee are: Hideyu Uyeda, Kelton Shelton, and Rollin Fox.

Whereas in the past all available family resources were deducted from the highest allowable amount, no deduction will hereafter be made unless the available resources amount to more than \$100 for each family member. This means that families will be eligible for grants even though they have a small amount of savings. In the case of individual relocation, it will no longer be necessary for the individual going out to take the family's "emergency fund." This new plan provides for the same transportation allowances that have heretofore been allotted but permits a five-day absence allowance of \$25 for each person making the trip regardless of the number in a family, the Relocation Office announced.

According to Relocation Officer Walter A. Heath, the maximum allowable amount is now defined as \$25 per family member for subsistence, plus railroad tickets and money for meals en route. The old maximum of \$100 for subsistence regardless of family size has been removed. Whereas in the past a family of eight would get only \$100 for subsistence (less any money that they already had available), a family of eight would now get \$200 and no deduction will be made unless the family savings totaled more than \$800.

Under the new regulations, only savings in excess of \$100 per family member will be deducted from the maximum allowable amount.

Heath commented, "It's pretty much what we have all been hoping for and will make it easier for many families to go out. No longer will the thrifty family be penalized by the deduction of its savings from its grant."

First Mirage Photo At Local Museum

Interesting attraction at the Inyo-Mono counties exhibit, 8-15, is the first photograph ever taken of a mirage. It is a picture of a herd of horses crossing a cloud formation in the sky. Other photographs of nearby regions are also displayed, including a picture of a home which was once located immediately north of Block 33's present site. These photos were loaned for the exhibit by Miss Shepherd Gunn.

Chrysanthemum blossoms of various colors and forms are daily drawing flower lovers to the Chrysanthemum Show which is being shown in conjunction with the Inyo-Mono exhibit. The entire show is slated to continue until November 14, stated Kiyotugu Tsuchiya, director of the Visual Education Museum.

POLICE OFFICERS TO BE APPOINTED

Evacuee police officers of the Internal Security will be appointed in the future by Project Director Ralph P. Merritt, changing the former system wherein evacuee officers were elected by members of the police force. The change of system was announced by Project Director Merritt at his weekly address to block managers at Town Hall, last Friday.

Mr. Merritt stated, "I think we can rely on the person appointed for chief of police because the evacuee police force will be headed by someone appointed by the project director." He added, "As increasing numbers of the force are relocating, it has become necessary for the project director to appoint officers of Internal Security Department."

Distribute Checks

October pay checks were pouring steadily into the Fiscal Department this week, according to Budget and Finance Officer R. C. Boczkiewicz. He announced that 2300 checks amounting to \$36,624.09 were received and distributed early this week to 106 departments and their sub-departments.

JAPANESE GOVERNMENT PROBE TOLD AS ARMY EXPANDS TULE SUPERVISION

TULELAKE, Nov. 13—Investigation of conditions at Tulelake camp by the Japanese government through F. De Amat, Spanish consul, was announced by the San Francisco Call-Bulletin. In the wake of disclosures at the State Senate investigating committee's inquiry, the consul, accompanied by Merrill Benninghoff of the United States State Department, arrived at Tulelake to act for the Japanese Imperial government.

Coincident with this display of interest by the Japanese government, the Army, which took control of this camp last week expanded its supervision. Patrols were moved to the edges of the residential barracks.

The Call-Bulletin revealed—through sources whose identity must be withheld—United States soldiers have discovered and confiscated great quantities of knives and miscellaneous weapons.

COZZENS TESTIFIES

The Senate Committee hearing was marked by testimony of Robert Cozzens, WRA regional director, that trouble at the camp was caused mainly by Japanese who had returned from Japan. He stated that they planned to gain control of the camp by forcing

Expect Block Donations To Aid War Chest

Manzanar's part in the National War Fund Drive got under way successfully this week with \$274 being collected to date, according to J. R. Winchester, California War Chest drive representative for Inyo county board, who is heading the drive here.

All but \$2 of this amount was received from the Appointed Personnel staff, Winchester stated. However, he declared that the residents' contributions were low only because the Block Managers' reports were not received to date and that these reports were not expected until Monday.

The purpose of this one united campaign, according to Winchester, is to conserve the time of workers, save money which otherwise would go into campaign expenses for a multiplicity of campaigns throughout the nation and to assure efficiency in the united services.

UNITED EFFORT

Through this united effort, materials and services can be channeled when they are needed to strengthen weak points in our three fronts, he said. These services include aid to our fighting men through the USO, the United Seaman's Service and the War Prisoners Aid; aid to our fighting Allies through the British War Relief Society, the Russian War Relief and the United China Relief; aid to our Allies in occupied countries through such organizations as the Greek War Relief Association, Polish War Relief, Friends of Luxembourg, French Relief Fund, Belgian War Relief Society, United Czechoslovak Relief Fund, Queen Wilhelmina Fund, Norwegian Relief, Refugee Relief Trustees and the United States Committee for the Care of the European Children; and aid to our Home Front Agencies through our approved organized local social agencies.

Under provisions of the Geneva Convention of 1929, a code signed by 49 nations requested the War Prisoners Aid of the Young Men's Christian Associations to establish constructive recreational, educational and religious activities for the men behind barbed wire. This service

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WRA leaders to recognize their power. He testified to questions regarding strikes, against harvesting crops, unloading coal, and other tasks at the camp, that "there is no law that requires them to work."

The "demonstration" at the camp by more than 4000 Japanese was viewed by Cozzens as of "very serious import." This was in sharp contrast with earlier testimony of Ray Best, project director at Tulelake, who stated that the outbreak was not a "mob demonstration" and that there was "no real danger."

To Attend Meeting

Chief Steward J. R. Winchester will leave Manzanar on November 16 for Gila WRA center to attend a stewards' general meeting, which is slated to be held from November 18 to 20.

Stewards from nine relocation centers are expected to be present at this meeting to discuss rationing and its procedures as well as other topics. Mr. Winchester will return on November 23 by way of Poston, according to the announcement from the Mess Division.